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SUBJ ILO: RESOLUTION ON ISRAELI TRADE UNION
PRACTICES IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

REF STATE 115249

1. FOLLOWING CLOSE OF GENERAL DISCUSSION THIS
RESOLUTION WORKERS;. MEMBERS NETHERLANDS, AUSTRALIA,
FED. REP OF GERMANY, VENEZUELA, CANADA, LIBERIA,
U. K., NEW ZEALAND, AND US INTRODUCED AMENDMENT WHICH
IF ADOPTED WOULD COMPLETELY CHANGE NATURE OF
RESOLUTION.

2. AMENDMENT WOULD CHANGE TITLE OF RESOLUTION TO
READ: " RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE POSITION OF ARAB
WORKERS IN ISRAEL AND THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED
BY ISRAEL". FIRST FOUR PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPHS
WOULD REMAIN UNCHANGED. THE FIFTH PREAMBULAR
PARAGRAPH WOULD BE CHANGED TO READ: " NOTING THAT ISRAEL
HAS RATIFIED THOSE CONVENTIONS,". THE EIGHTH
PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH WOULD BE CHANGED TO REEAD:
" RECALLING THAT IN THE SAME RESOLUTION THE CONFERENCE
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INVITED THE GOVERNING BODY TO EXTEND AND EXPAND ITS EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE THE DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOUR, SEX, RELIGION, NATIONALITY AND POLITICAL AND TRADE UNION OPINION WHEREVER THEY MAY EXIST,". OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS NINE, TEN AND ELEVEN WOULD BE DELETED AND REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING:
" CONSIDERING THAT THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION HAS ESTABLISHED CONSTITUTIONAL PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES FOR CONSIDERING MATTERS RELATED TO THE OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBER STATES,".

3. THE FIVE OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS WOULD BE DELETED AND REPLACED BY THE FOLLOWING:

"1. INVITES THE DIRECTOR- GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE TO CONSIDER, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PROCEDURE FOR DIRECT CONTACTS, THE POSITION OF ARAB WORKERS IN ISRAEL AND TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY ISRAEL, IN THE LIGHT OF THE FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION AND PROTECTION OF THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE CONVENTION, 1948 (NO.87), AND THE DISCRIMINATION (EMPLOYMENT AND OCCUPATION), CONVENTION, 1958 (NO.111)."

4. THIS AMENDMENT WILL BE SUPPORTED BY GOVERNMENT OF CANADA, AND PROBABLY MOST WE' S. EXTENT OF L. A. SUPPORT QUESTIONABLE. REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENT ISRAEL AND HISTADRUNT HAVE STATED TO US THEY WILL VOTE FOR AMENDMENT.

5. SINCE AMENDMENT HAS ONLY NOW BEEN INTRODUCED, IT DIFFICULT MAKE ACCURATE ASSESSMENT POSSIBILITY OF ADOPTION. HOWEVER, WE WOULD JUDGE FROM GENERAL COMMITTEE DEBATE THUS FAR AND LACK OF FIRM EVIDENCE THAT SOVIET AND ARAB REPRESENTATIVES WILLING TO COMPROMISE THAT CHANCES OF AMENDMENT BEING ADOPTED IN COMMITTEE ARE NOT GOOD.

6. NEVERTHELESS IN VIEW OF ALL CONSIDERATIONS INVOLVED, US REP PROPOSES TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF AMENDMENT UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED. BASSIN

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